

Zion Lutheran Church

FIFTH SUNDAY IN

LENT

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March 18th, 2018

Fifth Sunday in Lent

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given Joe DePalma in Memory of parents, Margaret & Joseph and Jessica & Brad Boyle in Memory of Brad's father, Jerome Boyle.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Paul & Theresa Hayes in Memory of Carl Schmidt.

THIS WEEK'S FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE...is from **BOB SCHMIDT**. 2 Co 5:21 NIV God made Him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.

HELP WANTED...The *Pittsburgh Lutheran* has an immediate need for a volunteer to work on layout. The job entails putting together articles and pictures into a cohesive newsletter format each month. This job involves 4-6 hours a month, and all work can be done from the comfort of your home. Communication sharing of articles is done via email. Please contact Mary Lou Rilee, Christine Chilcott or Nancy Koester with any questions or email Pittsburgh.lutheran.editor@gmail.com.

YOUTH GROUP GAME NIGHT will be on Friday March 23rd 5:30pm-9:00pm. There will be pizza, games and fellowship. Bring a friend and your favorite game!

LESSON SIX TAKEAWAYS from Women's Bible Study on Forgiveness: 1) We are responsible to obey God's command to forgive. We are to **extend forgiveness** whether or not they receive it. 2) Forgiving someone does not mean that we have abdicated justice. We have simply chosen to **return justice to God**, where it rightfully belongs. 3) God's vengeance does not constitute a senseless surge of divine rage; rather, His vengeance is the exercise of **divine justice**.

WELCOME CENTER! Are you a guest or visitor looking for information about Zion? Hello and welcome to Zion! Stop by the table in the foyer after the service and we'll try to help.

CHURCH NURSERY: Is available for kids age 0-2 during the 10:30 Service! The Nursery ("Little Lions") is in the lower level of the building. (If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an Usher or Greeter for assistance.)

NEED PRAYER? Stephen Ministers and Elders will be available to pray with or for you following the Service in the Chancel area.

TODAY'S GOSPEL READING AND SERMON will be posted to the ZLCB.org website later today. For an archive of older sermons, visit www.zlcb.org/sermons

Opening Hymn (8:00am) – Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

#437

Opening Hymn (10:30am) – Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

#590



Baptism of Anna Louisa Oelschlager (10:30am)



P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

P Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,*
from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!

C **I love the LORD, because | he has heard***

my voice and my pleas for | mercy.

Because he inclined his | ear to me,*

therefore I will call on him as long | as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid | hold on me;*

I suffered distress and | anguish.

Then I called on the name | of the LORD:*

“O LORD, I pray, deliv- | er my soul!”


**For you have delivered my | soul from death,*
my eyes from tears, my feet from | stumbling.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

P Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,*
from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!

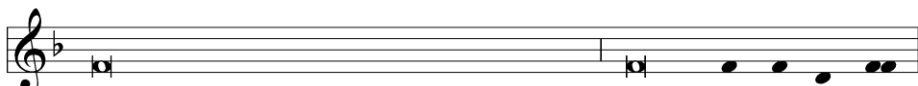
Kyrie



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.




C Lord, have mer - cy.




A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



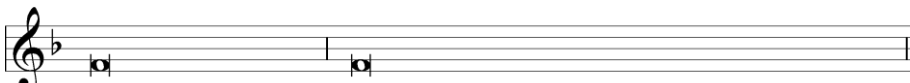
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



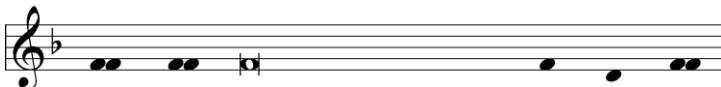
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



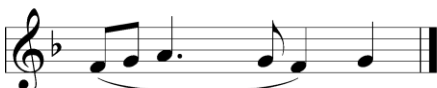
let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ,

Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Jeremiah 31:31-34

“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle – Hebrews 5:1-10

For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;

as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
after the order of Melchizedek.”

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered.

And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

Verse for Lent



G Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and



mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in



stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

G **Glory to You, O Lord.**

And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to [Jesus] and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall

not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sermon Hymn – My Song is Love Unknown

#430

Sermon

Apostles' Creed

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

P ...Let us pray to the Lord

C **Lord have mercy.**

Offering

If you are visiting with us this morning, know that your presence here means far more to us than any gift of money you could make; please do not hesitate to let the plate pass you by. Please stop by the welcome desk on your way out of church this morning.

Offertory



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of-fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv-ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru-sa-lem.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface



P The Lord be with you.



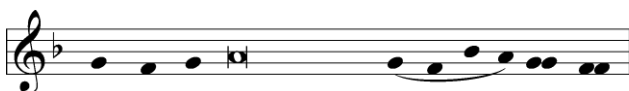
C And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

G Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Pax Domini



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sharing of Peace

Distribution

We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God, can examine themselves spiritually and believe they receive the true body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and as a profession of their faith. If you hold a profession of faith that differs from that of our congregation, please speak to the Pastor before the start of the service before communing.

We believe the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine.

We believe Christ offers the forgiveness of sins in the Lord's Supper, but that the Lord's Supper is not necessary for salvation.

We believe the Lord's Supper remembers the death of Christ and proclaims his death until he returns.

We believe the Lord's Supper is a statement of unity in the body of Christ; we do not believe it creates that unity.

During the distribution, you are encouraged to sing the Distribution Hymns, pray, or meditate on the words "this is my body... this is my blood, given for you."

The cups at the center of the Individual Communion tray contain diluted wine for those with alcohol sensitivities.

Distribution Hymns

Crown Him with Many Crowns

#525

The Lamb

#547

Just as I Am, Without One Plea

#570

Nunc Dimittis



C Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre -



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

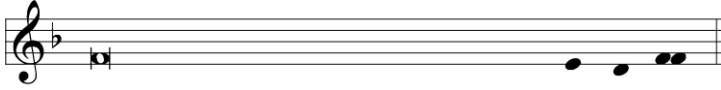
Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction



P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.



C A - - men.

Closing Hymn – What a Friend We Have in Jesus

#770

Prayer Request for Family & Friends

The Church:

-**For our homebound members:** Tom Bicusky, Ruth Miller, George and Florence Boehme, Lois & Henry Dittmer, Norm and Helen Erbrecht, Irene Bourg, and Don Jones.

-**Healing for:** Janet Hickey, Jack Oelschlager, Florence Boehme, Gloria Godfrey, Marian Siek, Sarah & Michael Erbrecht, Gladys Cimarolli, Joyce Wood, Cletus Kroeger, Ruth Miller, Nancy Spotti, Aly Mance, Deana Thielet, Bill Koester, Nancy Koester, Dave Hutula, Ryan McCaffrey, Mary Lou Neill.

-For our missionaries, especially Pastor Wokoma.

-For all who care for loved ones with illnesses.

-For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Preschool.

The World:

-For an end to abortion and human trafficking.

-For the youth in our community.

Our Nation:

-For our leaders and government officials.

-For those in foster care and those looking to adopt.

-For the disabled, unborn and aged.

-For those whose work it is to protect us.

-For those affected by the recent hurricanes.

- For godly care of the earth.

† *Service Participants* †

Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandra Quinlan
The Elders:	Mike Kroeger
The Acolyte:	John Garrubba (8:00) Sarah Grimenstein (10:30)
The Greeters:	Gene & Sharon Koop (8:00) Ed & June Malachosky (10:30)
The Ushers:	Bob Schmidt, Megan Pasquini Wayne & Barb Oechslein (8:00) John & Kari Gresh Dwight & Andy Weldon (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Janet & Marian Oelschlager
Nursery:	Megan Pasquini & Tess Carter

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (3/11) – 176

Wednesday Attendance (3/14) – 67

Wednesday Offering (3/7) - \$255.00

Sunday Offering (3/11) - \$5,865.00

Online Offering (3/5-3/9) - \$859.00

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion web site: www.zlcb.org~

Acknowledgments

Divine Service, Setting One from Lutheran Service Book

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March 18th – March 25th

SUNDAY 3/18	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible' Study 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion
MONDAY 3/19	6:00 PM – First Year Confirmation 7:00 PM – Second Year Confirmation
TUESDAY 3/20	6:15 PM – Grace Bell Choir 7:15 PM – Adult Choir 7:15 PM – Women's Bible Study 8:00 PM – Faith Bell Choir
WEDNESDAY 3/21	6:00 PM – New Member Class 6:00 PM – Lenten Dinner 7:00 PM – Lenten Service
THURSDAY 3/22	10:00 AM – Bible Study
FRIDAY 3/23	5:30 PM – Youth Group Pizza & Game Night (Bring a game & a friend!!)
SATURDAY 3/24	8:00 AM – Men's Bible Breakfast
SUNDAY 3/25 Palm Sunday	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion



Concordia Lutheran Ministries will hold its 13th annual fashion show and luncheon at the Butler Country Club on Saturday, May 12. The event includes more than 50 auction baskets, a vendor mall and the fashion show. Concordia operates more than a dozen senior living facilities and community care centers in the Pittsburgh region, and proceeds from the event benefit the Good Samaritan Endowment Fund - Concordia's charitable care fund.

Tickets are \$40 and include a hot lunch (Chicken Romano, twice-baked potatoes, baby glazed carrots and triple layer lemon cake), valet parking and the fashion show. Tickets purchased by April 1 will be discounted to \$37. Fashions will be presented by several of our loyal vendors, including La Perla, LuLaRoe, Diane's Boutique, and Me and My Shadow.

For reservations, call 724-352-1571, ext. 8363, or register online at the Concordia Lutheran Ministries website -- www.concordialm.org, under the "Events & News" tab.

LIFE'S STORMS HAPPEN.... AND AT SHIPWRECKED VBS, KIDS LEARN THAT JESUS RESCUES US.

OUR ADVENTURE IS JUNE 25TH – 29TH FROM 9AM – NOON. WE NEED LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS WHO WILL GIVE THEIR TIME, TALENTS AND LOVE TO KIDS AND THEIR FAMILY & FRIENDS.

LEADERSHIP: WHAT COULD BE MORE FUN THAN LEADING GAMES WITH KIDS OR ACTING GOOFY IN A SKIT OR SNAPPING FUN PHOTOS? PLEASE CONSIDER YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN ONE OF THESE ROLES.

CREWS: KIDS ROTATE FROM STATION TO STATION WITH CREW LEADERS AND HELPERS. NO PREPARATION IS NECESSARY!

NURSERY: LITTLE ONES CAN LEARN ABOUT JESUS TOO! PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING IN THIS AREA.

CREW LEADER & HELPER 45 MIN. MEETING: MONDAY, JUNE 11TH AT 7:00 PM

WE BELIEVE THAT GOD WILL USE THIS PROGRAM TO REACH MANY CHILDREN WITH THE GOSPEL, SO PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER YOUR ROLE IN VBS. TO VOLUNTEER, SIMPLY FILL OUT THIS FORM AND PLACE IN THE BOX LABELED SHIPWRECKED VBS IN THE SCHOOL LOBBY.

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2018 SHIPWRECKED VBS VOLUNTEER FORM

_____ YES! I WANT TO VOLUNTEER! CHECK YOUR AREAS OF INTEREST:

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> SHIP REC GAMES LEADER (ZION MEMBER ONLY) | <input type="checkbox"/> NURSERY HELPER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OPENING & CLOSING SKITS (ZION MEMBER ONLY) | <input type="checkbox"/> CREW LEADER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PHOTOGRAPHER | <input type="checkbox"/> CREW HELPER |

YOUR NAME _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

PHONE # _____ CELL # _____

T-SHIRT SIZE _____ I ALREADY OWN A GREY ZION T-SHIRT

**** PLEASE SUBMIT SECURITY CLEARANCES TO ZION'S SECRETARY AT
SECRETARY@ZLCB.ORG.**

